

HB 2492 -- KINSHIP PLACEMENTS FOR FOSTER CHILDREN

SPONSOR: Brown (94)

This bill defines the word "kin" to be a person who is not related by blood, marriage, or adoption who has a close relationship with the child or the child's family, including a godparent, neighbor, teacher, close family friend, fellow church member, or a person who has a close relationship with the child or the child's family is related to the child by blood or marriage beyond the third degree of consanguinity or affinity. The bill adds kin to the individuals for whom standards for licensure not related to safety waived for specific children in care if the standards would otherwise impede licensing of the kin's home.